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questions, but one last one, and I've kind of lost track here of where this is in the bill. But the other...the last thing I wanted to talk about, at some point in time with you, is the idea...

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Time. Senator Dierks.

SENATOR DIERKS: Senator Beutler, go ahead with your...your final thought.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator, I think I'll just leave off and let you go ahead and close and not take your time, and I'll talk to you off the floor about it.

SENATOR DIERKS: Okay. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Dierks, you are recognized to close. He waives that opportunity. Question before the body is the advancement of LB 436. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted who care to? Record.

CLERK: 30 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 436.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: The bill is advanced. We next move to LB 436A.

CLERK: LB 436A, by Senator Dierks. (Read title.)

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Dierks, you're recognized to open.

SENATOR DIERKS: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members. LB 436A reflects the changes in the Nebraska Apiary Act in the bill. In addition to the changes in the Pesticide Act, LB 436 eliminates requirements under the Apiary Act for the certification of bee colonies offered for sale, and the requirement for the registration of bee colonies. This is a result of the reduction of beekeeping activity across the state. Currently the department allocates six-tenths of a FDE to the apiary program. The current apiarist spends approximately seven months a year,